

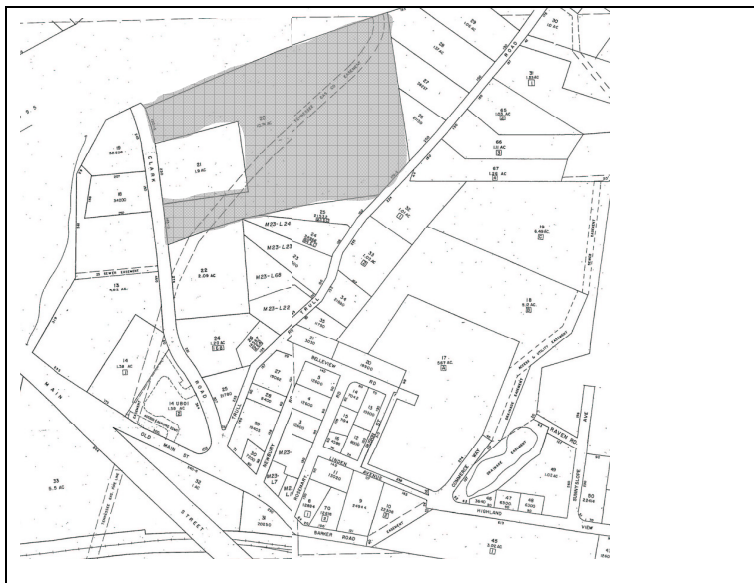
FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Town: Tewksbury

Place: (neighborhood or village)
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Address: 602 Clark Road

Historic Name: Jason Fuller House

Uses: Present: Single Family Residential
Original: Single Family Residential

Date of Construction: c1876

Source: Deed Research

Style/Form: Italianate

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Brick

Wall/Trim: Wood Clapboards

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Garage
Shed

Major Alterations (with dates):

Queen Anne Ell (c1890)

Condition: Good

Moved: no | | yes |X| Date c1960

Acreage: 38 acres total with adjoining lots

Setting: Set near the end of the street in an area that is increasingly commercial. The street formerly continued north to Andover Street but was bisected by the construction of I-495.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

TEWKSBURY

602 CLARK ROAD

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Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The Italianate house at **602 Clark Road** is set on a flat lot at the end of the road adjacent to Route 495. The rectangular plan of the house rests on a painted brick foundation. The northern section of the house is a three by one bay and two stories in height. The southern portion of the house is three by one bay and one-and-a-half stories in height. Both sections have side gable roofs, the southern portion feature two symmetrically located pediment wall dormers. The roofs are clad in asphalt shingles. A centrally located painted brick chimney pierces the ridge of southern roof. The southern section has a centrally located narrow entry door with a transom above the door. The northern section has an entrance on the southern end of the western façade, also with a transom window. A hip roof porch extends the entire length of the western porch. The porch roof is supported by narrow turned posts. Carved brackets flank each post. The balustrade is composed of two horizontal rails with a central vertical post and two diagonal rails. The underside of the porch is screened with wood lattice. The 2/2 wood sash windows are flanked by wood shutters and feature a wood surround topped by a projecting crown. The walls are sheathed in painted wood clapboards. A secondary porch is located on the rear (east) façade. A "Ginieres" sign is on the porch fascia and another sign on the side of a planter "Garland Rockpile" rests on the front lawn.

To the north of the house is a shed roof one-car garage. The garage is clad in wood clapboards and rests on a concrete foundation.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

The house at 602 Clark Street was likely constructed c1876 when Jason Fuller purchased 45 acres from Martha Rogers on Clark Street. Fuller (1834-1903) was a grocer who lived in Lowell on Nesmith Street. Fuller's grocery, Fuller & Clark, was located at 119 E Merrimac Street. Fuller's partners were Arthur Clark of Lowell and Edward W Clark (1854-1924) of Tewksbury. Edward was the son of Joshua Clark that lived north of Fuller's land on Clark Street. Fuller married Mary Brackett and they had no surviving children. It is unclear who lived in the dwelling on Clark Street during the Fuller ownership, or if the Fuller's used the house as a summer residence.

The land was known to be rocky, littered with large boulders of course gneiss and mica schist, Fuller had many of these boulders broken up to be used in rock walls on his farm.¹ It is not known if many of these walls or large boulders are extant given the construction of the adjacent highway.

In 1903 Jason Fuller sold the buildings and land to George F Garland. Garland, a dairy farmer and market gardener, lived on Clark Road with his wife Alice and son Frederick. Frederick Garland later owned land at the corner of Trull, Clark, and Main Street c1926. In 1945 Garland sold the house and land to Antigone Ginieres.

Antigone Ginieres (1885-1986) was the widow of Panas and moved with her children, Paul, Plato, Socrates, Lincoln, & Aura, to Tewksbury. Mrs. Ginieres was a Greek immigrant, coming to the United States in 1899 with her husband who operated a restaurant in Lowell before his death 1920-1930. The neighborhood in the vicinity of Clark Street along Main Street was home to several Greek and Turkish immigrant families in the 1930s. In 1946 Antigone Ginieres gave the property to her sons Paul (1912-1994) and Plato (1914-2009).

¹Old Residents' Historical Association. *Contributions of the Old Residents' Historical Association, Lowell, Mass: Organized December 21, 1968*. Lowell, Mass: Old Residents' Historical Association, 1873-1904. Volume 6. Page 43.

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In 1960 38 acres of land was taken by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the construction of Interstate 495 and the house was moved southward on the lot to accommodate the highway construction. In 1995 ownership of the property was given to Michael and David Ginieres (both of Lowell) as well as Terrance and William Ginieres (both of Cornwall Eng.)

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